MINUTES

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES CALLED MEETING

FEBRUARY 3, 1993

1:30 P. M., ROOM 507, EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTER JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

A called meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held on Wednesday, February 3, 1993, at 1:30 p.m., in room 507 of the Education and Research Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

<u>Members Present</u>: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Amos Bridges, Lanny Monroe, Perrin Purvis, Barbara Ricks, Nell Rogers and George Walker

Members Absent: Jeannet Boston and Bob Breeden

<u>Staff Attending</u>: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, Bill Bunch, Dr. Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Becky Cade, Frankie White and Mac McClellan

<u>Guests Attending</u>: Cathy Hayden, Dr. Terrell Tisdale, Dr. Billy Thames, Dr. J. T. Hall, Dr. Vivian Presley, Dr. Bobby Garvin and Joe Ray.

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p. m., by Lanny Monroe, State Board for Community and Junior Colleges' Chairman.
- II. <u>Invocation</u>: The invocation was given by Dr. Olon Ray.
- III. Consideration of Coahoma's Financial Needs:
 - A. Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges, reported on the following:
 - 1. Introduced Dr. Vivian Presley, Coahoma Community College President, who gave an overview of the current Coahoma financial situation.
 - 2. Dr. Presley introduced Dr. J. T. Hall, Coahoma Community College Consultant. Dr. Hall distributed a copy of a report to the Coahoma Board of Trustees. A copy is on file in the state office. (Exhibit A)
 - After a general discussion of the current financial situation at Coahoma Community College, Dr. Ray presented a written recommendation to the SBCJC for action. (Exhibit B) Nell Rogers suggested that the SBCJC staff investigate special projects to assist the students who could not meet the current admissions requirements to enter Coahoma Community College.

George Walker made a motion, seconded by Nell Rogers that the SBCJC approve the recommendation as presented to the Board, by Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director of the SBCJC, which stated "Based on the information presented to this Board, which includes a strong commitment on the part of the Coahoma administration and board to take all necessary steps to assure the future financial stability of that college, I recommend that the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges endorse the request for a special appropriation for Coahoma Community College. Furthermore, in taking this action, this Board recognizes the important role Coahoma has in the present and future post-secondary education efforts in Mississippi's community and junior college system." The SBCJC membership unanimously approved the motion.

IV. Approval of Grant/Subgrantee Manual:

A. Dr. Ray introduced Becky Cade who passed out copies of the proposed SBCJC Grant/Subgrantee Manual. Dr. Ray asked the SBCJC for approval of the manual for the purpose of proceeding with the requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act, with the understanding that Board members can make recommendations for changes. Comments and/or suggested changes from Board members and/or other interested parties were solicited during the 30 day filing period.

V. Other Business:

- A. Legislative Report: Bill Bunch reported on the status of current legislation. (Exhibit C)
- B. National Literary Festival: Dr. Billy Thames reported on the following:
 - 1. Literary Festival, Natchez, Mississippi, June 2, through June 6, 1993.
 - 2. All Board members and staff are invited.
 - 3. Reading, Writing, and the River 1993 Literary Festival Theme.
 - 4. Copiah-Lincoln will waiver registration fee for SBCJC members and staff who wish to attend.

Perrin Purvis, with the concurrence of the Board members present, requested Dr. Olon Ray to investigate the possibility of having the SBCJC June meeting in Natchez, Mississippi, during the Literary Festival. Dr. Ray will report back to the Board at its next meeting on the feasibility of arranging the SBCJC meeting on the dates suggested in June, 1993.

- C. Dr. Thames informed the SBCJC that Copiah-Lincoln Community College and East Central Community College would be presenting ADN program applications in the near future.
- D. SBCJC February 17, 1993, Meeting: Mr. McClellan informed the Board that reservations for the SBCJC February meeting would be arranged at the Walthall Hotel, in Jackson, Mississippi.

VI. Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Lanny Monroe adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p. m.

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Executive Director